

I believe that Sinclair Broadcasting using public airwaves to force their stations to run a vicious, partisan smear disguised as "news" immediately preceding a presidential election is the last nail in the coffin of our democracy.

With Michael Powell in control of the FCC, America will never return to its proud legacy of unbiased journalism and free access to information.

Corporate media, especially that of the far right which tolerates no dissent from their narrow bigoted ideology, has taken our country hostage.

Please restore the fairness and equality that once made our country the envy of the world. Now we are reviled and disrespected in part because of such repression of the freedoms that we were built upon.

Once the media has been hijacked by powerful anti-American agents of restriction of information such as Sinclair Broadcasting and other ultra conservative propagandists, we have no defense left against their obvious intentions to force America into a totalitarian regime.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.